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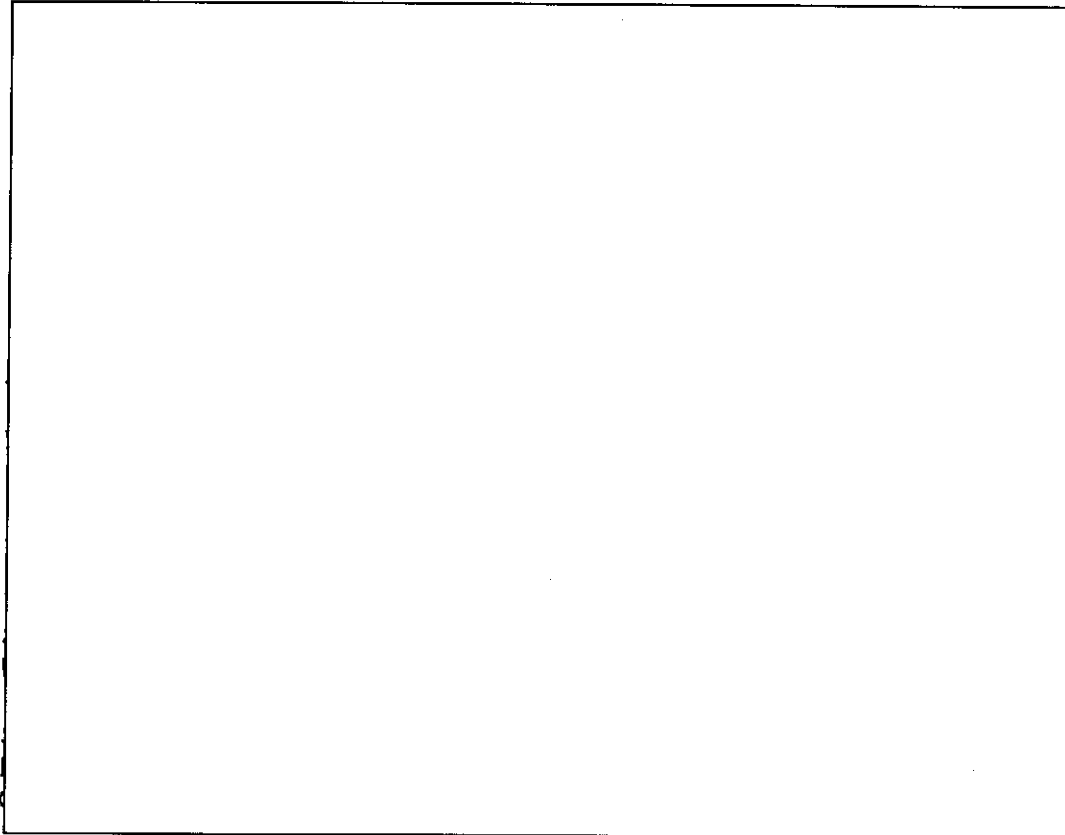
Subject: URGING OAS ENGAGEMENT IN VENEZUELA

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CLASSIFIED BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR WESTERN HEMISPHERE  
AFFAIRS OTTO J. REICH. REASONS: 1.5(B) AND (D).

1. (U) ACTION REQUEST AT PARAS 6 AND 7



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6. (U) PLEASE SHARE WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS THAT WE HOPE THAT THE SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY WILL PRODUCE A RESOLUTION THAT:

- CONDEMNS THE ALTERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER AND WELCOMES THE RESTORATION OF THAT ORDER
- EXPRESSES CONCERN ABOUT THE UNDERLYING CAUSES OF VENEZUELA'S POLITICAL CRISIS;
- URGES PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF POLITICAL DISPUTES AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION
- URGES RESTORATION OF CONTROL BY "LEGALLY CONSTITUTED CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES"
- DEMANDS ACCOUNTABILITY FOR ALL ILLEGAL OR UNCONSTITUTIONAL ACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE EVENTS OF APRIL 11, INCLUDING ANTECEDENTS
- URGES THE GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA TO FULLY RESTORE AND RESPECT THE "ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF DEMOCRACY", INTER ALIA, HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, RULE OF LAW, PLURALISTIC SYSTEM OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND ORGANIZATIONS, AND THE SEPARATION AND INDEPENDENCE OF BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT, FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND OF THE PRESS
- REQUIRES COMPLETE RESTORATION OF MEDIA OUTLETS TO INDEPENDENT OWNERS AND RESPECT FOR FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION
- AUTHORIZES THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO APPOINT A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO VENEZUELA AND TO OFFER OAS SUPPORT AND FACILITATION FOR A NATIONAL DIALOGUE
- KEEPS THE SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OPEN TO CONTINUE MONITORING THE FULL RESTORATION OF DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS.

7. (C) NOTE FOR POSTS: THE SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVOKED BY OAS RESOLUTION CP/RES 811 (1315/02) OF APRIL 13, 2002, IS CONVOKED UNDER ARTICLE 20 OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEMOCRATIC CHARTER.

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END NOTE.

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